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REMARKS

In the Office Action, dated September 26, 2007, the Examiner states that Claims 1-8 and 10-17 are pending and Claims 1-8 and 10-17 are rejected. By the present Amendment, Applicant amends the specification and the claims.

In the Office Action, the drawings were objected to because reference "4" in the specification on page 31 is not shown in at least one figure. The Applicant has removed reference "4" from the specification, and therefore, this objection should be overcome.

In the Office Action, Claims 1-8 and 10-17 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Masahiro (JP 2003-66206) in view of Cohen (U.S. 4,621,898).

The Applicant has cancelled Claim 4 and has incorporated its features into independent Claim 1. As amended, Claim 1 specifies the relationships held at least between a refractive index (N2) of a material constituting a slope portion of the wedge-shaped portion and a refractive index (N1) of a material constituting the lens portions are $N2 \leq N1$ and $N1 - 0.01 \leq N2$. Neither Masahiro or Cohen disclose a similar relationship, and therefore, the present invention is not obvious to Masahiro in view of Cohen, and the current obviousness rejection should be deemed overcome.

The Applicant has added new Claims 18-31. The Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 12-0400 in the amount of \$550 to cover the fee for the eleven excess claims, or any required fees in excess of the amount submitted, or credit any overpayment.

In light of the foregoing response, all the outstanding objections and rejections are considered overcome. Applicant respectfully submits that this application should now be in condition for allowance and respectfully requests favorable consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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